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For:

METHOD AND SLIDING CONNECTOR AND CIRCUIT CARD

COMBINATION FOR IMPLEMENTING HOT PLUGGING PROTECTION

FOR REGULATOR, POWER SUPPLIES AND SYSTEM CARDS

ASSIGNEE NAME: International Business Machines Corporation ASSIGNEE RESIDENCE: Armonk, New York

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 $\sqrt{16}$ Pages of Specification and <u>1</u> Abstract

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Respectfully submitted,

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